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A STATE COMBINE

Threshermen to Organize For Prevention of Unfair Competition and Other Evils.

Pacific coast managers of the leading machine manufacturers of the United States met in Portland Saturday night and after a banquet which was largely attended formed the Oregon State Threshermen's association. The object of the meeting was to form an organization which will be turned over to the threshermen of the state next May following a convention of farmers in Portland from all parts of the state.

The new association is similar to those of nearly every other grain growing state in the union and has for its purpose the prevention of unfair competition on the part of unscrupulous operators, the betterment of the roads and bridges of the state and the regulating of freight rates on threshing machines and supplies.

Phil S. Bates, editor of the Pacific Northwest, is the father of the movement to form the threshermen's association. In explaining what is meant by unfair competition he said:

"There has been a tendency on the part of certain itinerant harvesters of late years to buy a threshing outfit by the payment of a small sum of money in advance and a note on long time. They then go into the field and cut rates to secure business. They can do this to the detriment of honest machine men because they do not intend to pay for the machinery which they have obtained on credit. They run the season through, clean up all the money they can and then skip out after repudiating their notes."

"One of the main objects of the association is to protect threshermen against such bunko artists as these."

"Another object of the organization is to secure fair rates from the railroads. As long as the threshermen are scattered and individual only they cannot say to the railroads what shall be a fair charge for the transportation of machinery but with a united effort much can be accomplished."

"We also are able to secure better roads and bridges from the state by making it responsible for loss of life or damage to machinery by reason of defective bridges or dangerous stretches of roadway."

"We expect to call a convention of threshermen some time next spring, probably in May, that will bring at least 3,000 delegates to the city. Special rates will be granted by all the railroads for those desiring to attend the convention and the machinery men of Portland will arrange a program of sports and amusements for the benefit of the visitors."

"At the business meeting the organization will be transferred to the threshermen themselves and a new set of officers elected by them."

The State Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pinkerton Jr. and A. L. Swaggart were among those of this county who attended the State Fair at Salem last week. The unanimous verdict is that the fair just brought to a close was the greatest ever held in the history of the state. The livestock, horticultural and agricultural exhibits were the finest ever exhibited in the northwest. The racing was superb and some of the fastest horses in the west participated in the speed contests. The attendance was large, as many as 20,000 people attending daily.

The Deadly "22."

That one of these little "22" calibre squirrel rifles is a deadly, vicious weapon, has been proven times galore, but an incident of recent date brings the fact still more forcibly to mind. Saturday George Mulkey and John Thompson located three bear near the Thompson ranch on the Umatilla. Mr. Thompson equipped with a 30-30

and George with a "22" special went after them. Mulkey rode into the brush to scare brain out Thompson's way. But Mrs. Bruin did not scare. Instead, she stood up and faced George while her two cubs scampered away. Mulkey drew bead on the big, thick neck and pulled the trigger. The bear dropped stone dead in her tracks and when skinned, the little bullet was found lodged against the hide at the back of the neck, having penetrated and broken the neck.

Filed on Timber Land.

Last week Henry Dell made a trip into the country tributary to the north fork of the John Day in company with Tom Keller, timber cruiser. Mr. Dell filed on a timber claim. Much of the timber land in that section has been taken up, but there yet remains choice claims, which are isolated from the big tracts.

Trade at Home.

Athena stores are receiving their stocks of fall goods and without doubt their patrons will get the best the market affords. Few towns are as fortunate as Athena in having up to date mercantile firms and there is no reason for going or sending away for your goods or giving catalogue houses any encouragement whatever.

Burglar Grant Sentenced.

George Grant, the burglar who robbed a jewelry store and the McEwen hardware store in this city, pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary by Judge Bean. Grant was captured at North Yakima on description sent out by local officers.

WESTON HAS A CONFLAGRATION

Chance to Fumigate the Colonel Lost Through Sheer Thoughtlessness.

Yes, Susie, it again transpires. Away back in the beginning: If all the buildings that have been built in the town of Weston were standing today, Weston would be a dingy old place. But the red-winged fire fiend has vented his destructive wrath there time and again and only for indomitable pluck and enterprise on the part of property owners, there would be no town there.

Nonplussed and abagined seemingly at its failure to devastate the architectural works of man in the Normal town, the fire dragon must fasten its tentacles upon man himself.

And here is where the Weston fire department, through inactivity or sheer thoughtlessness, lost its chance to fumigate Wood with the chemical engine; earn the gratitude of a pleasant-odor-loving community and smash a world's record to smithereens.

Yes, Susie dear. The colonel was accosted by a young lady who desired to subscribe for "the best paper in Weston." Wood was puffing at a roll of tobacco, the smell of which was the facsimile odor of a strawstack burning down deep, next the ground when the straw is damp from a season's moisture. But, Susie, there was another smell coming.

Would you believe it dear? The colonel, (bashful anyway, dad rat him) was so dumfounded at the mere incident of being seen talking to a comely maiden that he shoved his vile cigar into his pocket, striving in the meantime to locate pencil and note book.

"Name, please," said Wood. "Horror!" sniffed the lady, plunging her handkerchief to her nose. "Beg pardon," gushed the colonel. "Oh! Put it out!"

"Your name—"

"Jump into the fountain. Oh, that will surely quench it," excitedly exclaimed the demure miss.

"Oh! Miss Fountain; six months or a year—six months, 75 cents; year, \$1.50."

"Fire! Fire!" shrieked the girl. At this stage of the amusing dialogue, a soft spot on the colonel's anatomy became exceedingly warm and he suddenly tumbled to the fact that the lighted cigar had ignited his clothing.

A small boy was apprehended in the act of ringing the fire bell, (the man who stopped the boy should be shot) while Wood plunged into Sim Culley's store where timely application of water from a garden hose subdued Weston's latest conflagration.

Kodol will, in a very short time, enable the stomach to do the work it should do, and the work it should do is to digest all the food you eat. It makes the stomach sweet and it is pleasant to take. It is sold here by Palace Drug Company.

For Sale.

Mrs. May Jorgenson offers 80 acres of fine reservation land for sale at \$90 per acre. The land description is N 1/4 of N W 1/4 sec. 17, tp. 3, 35 E W M. Inquire of P. S. Le Grow, Athens.

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SON KILLED FATHER

Dr. J. H. Irvine, Well Known Here, Accidentally Killed By Shot From Rifle in Hands of Boy.

Press dispatches announce the accidental killing of Dr. J. H. Irvine, a well known physician, who for years was engaged in business here and also in the practice of medicine. The awful tragedy which ended the life of a man of sterling character, was purely accidental and over the life of a favorite son will always hang a black cloud of gloom. The accident occurred at the doctor's home near Albany, Tuesday morning.

Dr. Irvine was shooting squirrels near the barn the night previous and when finished he placed his rifle on a pile of grain sacks, covering it with burlap. Tuesday morning the doctor was standing by the grain sacks when his son, not knowing of the rifle, started to pull the burlap from the sacks. The gun was discharged, the bullet passing through Dr. Irvine's breast, causing instant death. Dr. Irvine was 58 years of age and was a son of Robert A. Irvine, former state senator from Linn county. Thirty years ago, Dr. Irvine came to Athena, then Centerville, and soon built up a prosperous practice, and with W. T. Cook, later formed the Pioneer drug firm of Cook & Irvine. He was gifted with every attribute of a gentleman, and among the pioneer residents of this part of Umatilla county, who remember his splendid traits of character, his sad death is deplored.

He leaves a wife and five children. One, a daughter, is married. Baxter, the son, and three other children lived with the parents.

New Odd Fellows' Building.

The work of removing the wooden building occupied by A. Looft as a butcher shop preparatory to starting work on the Odd Fellows' building at Milton, commenced Tuesday, says the Eagle. The contract for the construction of the new building has been let, F. A. Worthington getting the contract for the woodwork and S. F. Henderson of Walla Walla will handle the brick work. The work of excavating for the basement has already commenced and the building will be completed by March 1. It will be one of the finest buildings in Umatilla county. It will be 90 feet deep with a 60-foot front, the wall to be 44 feet high. The ground floor will be divided into two, or possibly three large rooms, the room on the southwest corner to be occupied by the First National bank. The second story will be fitted up for lodge rooms and no expense will be spared to make it equal to any fraternal hall in Eastern Oregon. The building will be steam heated throughout and modern in every other detail.

WM. GOODMAN PASSES AWAY

Pioneer Farmer and Stockman Dies at Walla Walla.

William S. Goodman, of Walla Walla, died of heart failure Sunday morning.

Mr. Goodman was born in Illinois, June 2, 1844. When he was only six years old his parents came west and settled in what is now known as the Hudson Bay country. Here he was raised and spent the greater part of his life. He owned a ranch in Hudson Bay and engaged in stock raising on a large scale, handling the best grades of sheep, cattle and horses.

A few years ago his family moved to Walla Walla, where they have since resided. Mr. Goodman's health has been failing for several months and he has traveled some, thinking that might help him. He is survived by a son and daughter. The funeral services were conducted by Washington Camp, No. 19, I. O. O. F., at the residence Monday afternoon.

The Grand Jury.

The men who are serving on the grand jury at Pendleton during the present term of court are: F. E. Sherman, Pendleton, foreman; W. C. Russell, Athena; John A. Mastrom, Union; W. P. Hastings, Weston; C. J. Ward, Echo; T. J. Tweedy, Echo; Henry Schmitt, Athena. It is said the state has evidence that may lead to many indictments for illicit liquor selling, the work of the jury will be watched with interest.

A Sure-enough Knocker.

J. C. Goodwin, of Reidsville, N. C., says: "Bucklen's Arnica Salve is a sure-enough knocker for ulcers. A bad one came on my leg last summer, but that wonderful salve knocked it out in a few rounds. Not even a scar remained." Guaranteed for piles, sores, turns etc. 25c at Palace Drug Co's store.

One For Parker.

A Milton item says: The feat of shaving two men at one time in one barber chair was performed here by Barber Wright. When he called

"next" to his waiting customers two men made for the chair each claiming it was his turn, and both crowded into the chair together. Without showing the least hesitation, Wright lathered both faces, and while rubbing it in on one man's face, started to shave the other man with the other hand. Shaving each man with alternate strokes, he soon was combing one man's hair with his left hand while his right was driving the other's face. Both men claimed to be satisfied with the work."

Wonderful Fruit.

Lee Berry and Nelse Manela are hauling load after load of choice fruit and vegetables to be shipped to the Pendleton fair and there is no doubt that Milton's fruit exhibit will be the finest collection of fruit ever shown in Eastern Oregon, says the Eagle. Monday among other things they shipped 16 apples which, laid in a row, one touching another, measured six feet with a quarter of an inch to spare. Another exhibit will be eight peaches on a limb less than a foot long which weighs five pounds. They will have to go some to beat Milton's exhibit.

Lights for Echo and Hermiston.

The East Oregonian announces that Echo, Hermiston and Umatilla are all soon to have electric lights, according to an announcement made by Attorney J. T. Hinkle. Mr. Hinkle says that O. D. Teal, Col. B. G. Newport, Ross Newport and himself have formed a company for building ditches, and installing electric power plants on the Umatilla river near Hermiston. Not only has the company been formed but the right of way has been secured for two power ditches immediately west of Hermiston and the actual work of ditch construction has been started.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOL LIBRARY

Mrs. Walker, Primary Teacher, Has Been Appointed Librarian.

As a part of the work of organization of the public schools, the school library is now being given attention. Miss Sharp, who was librarian last year, having left the city, Mrs. E. Lane Walker, teacher in the primary grades, has consented to act as librarian this year. She has already started the work of classifying the books. A few of the books listed have not yet been located. Our school library contains a larger and better collection of books than a great many places larger than this possess, and when the list of new books which Miss Sharp thoughtfully sent in, arrives, they will add that much to the present list.

The janitor has added a row of shelves across one side of the room, which gives much more of a library appearance to that department. The library is open for reference at all times during school hours and after this week, books may be drawn or returned on Thursday or Friday.

Mrs. Walker and all the teachers will endeavor to continue the interest in good literature that has already been developed in the pupils, and in this as in all school work, the parents can be of great assistance.

Clever Actors; Poor Manager.

The best attraction at the Athena opera house for some time was Walters & Christ stock company Monday night. Dora Thorne, that beautiful English drama, captivated the audience to such a degree that the manager evidently thinking the town was easy, put on a tattered effigy of "Roanoke," giving it the title of "By the Swannee." The piece was dull and dragging in action, giving the really clever performers little or nothing to do. The result was that "Beech Hollow," a splendid bill, was greeted by a small audience Wednesday night.

The Pendleton Fair.

All is ready, pick and span, for the Umatilla-Morrow county fair, which opens at Pendleton Monday morning. All exhibit space has been taken and the live stock and agricultural departments are especially well represented. The people of the county generally, are taking deep interest in the success of the fair.

All Night in Auto.

Mr. and Mrs. Moorehead of Pendleton, were marooned all of Wednesday night in an auto, when the supply of gasoline gave out. The couple were on their way from La Grande and when four miles from Pendleton, like grandfather's clock, the machine stopped short.

Back From Europe.

Jacob Betz, retired brewer and capitalist, who owns property in Athena, was in the city for a few hours, Wednesday. Mr. Betz recently returned from a trip through Europe with his family.

Haskell is Hot.

Governor Haskell denies the report that he had tendered his resignation to the national committee, saying the report was a damn lie.

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